

Annual Financial Report

***Arizona Department of Transportation
Maricopa County Regional Area Road Fund***

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Janet Napolitano
Governor of the State of Arizona, and
Members of the Legislature

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of the Arizona Department of Transportation Highway Expansion and Extension Loan Program Fund (the "Fund"), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Arizona Department of Transportation's (the "Department") management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the respective financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Department's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the respective financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1A, the financial statements of the Fund of the Department are intended to present the financial position, the changes in financial position, and cash flows of only that portion of the business-type activities of the Department that is attributable to the transactions of the Fund. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the Department as of June 30, 2006 and 2005, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows, where applicable, for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Fund of the Department as of June 30, 2006 and 2005, and the changes in financial position thereof for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis as listed in the table of contents is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. This supplementary information is the responsibility of the Department's management. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit such information and we do not express an opinion on it.

Deloitte & Touche LLP
November 15, 2006

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Management's Discussion and Analysis
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As management of the Arizona Department of Transportation, Maricopa County Regional Area Road Fund (Fund), we offer readers of the Fund's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Fund for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the Fund's financial statements and the accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of the Fund at the close of the fiscal year were \$250,192,734 compared to \$161,771,542 for fiscal year 2005, an increase of \$88,421,192 (or 54.7 percent). The increase in assets is due primarily to the payoff of the debt service liabilities by the Arizona Department of Transportation.
- For fiscal year 2006, the Fund distributed \$188,901,539 of cash and capital assets to the Arizona Department of Transportation compared to \$95,915,656 for fiscal year 2005, an increase of \$92,985,883 (or 96.9 percent). The increase is attributable to more funds made available for construction projects as a result of the payoff of debt service requirements mentioned above.
- Maricopa County Transportation Excise Tax collections totaled \$367.6 million, an increase of 16.0 percent over fiscal year 2005 and 8.3 percent above the forecast. However, the Transportation Excise Tax distributed to ADOT was \$316,491,260 compared to \$316,805,562 for fiscal year 2005, a decrease of \$314,302 (or .099 percent). This decrease is attributable to the passage of Proposition 400, which provides that Public Transportation Funds are distributed directly to the Regional Public Transportation Authority (RPTA) and are not passed through ADOT.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction of the Fund's basic financial statements. The Fund's basic financial statements consist of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to present an overall picture of the financial position of the Fund. These statements consist of the statement of net assets and the statement of activities and are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The statement of net assets combines and consolidates the Fund's current financial resources with capital assets and long-term obligations. This statement includes all of the Fund's assets and liabilities. Net assets are the difference between the Fund's assets and liabilities, and represent one measure of the Fund's financial health.

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The statement of activities focuses on both the gross and net cost of various activities; these costs are paid by the Fund's general tax and other revenues. This statement summarizes the cost of providing specific Fund services, and includes all current year revenues and expenses. The Fund's basic services are reported here. Taxes and federal grants finance most of these activities.

Fund Financial Statements. The Fund's activities are reported in governmental funds. Reporting for these funds focuses on how financial resources flow into and out of the funds, and amounts remaining at year-end for future spending. Governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and other assets that can be readily converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Fund's general governmental operations and the basic services it provides. This information should help determine whether there are more or less current financial resources available for the Fund's programs. The reconciliation following the fund financial statements explains the differences between the government's activities, reported in the government-wide statement of activities, and the governmental funds.

The Fund maintains two individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental funds balance sheet and the governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the Special Revenue Fund, and Debt Service Fund, which are considered to be major funds.

Notes to financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found beginning on page 12 of this report.

Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of the Fund's financial health. The following tables and analysis discuss the financial position and changes to financial position for the Fund as a whole as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006.

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The following table reflects the condensed Statement of Net Assets as of June 30:

	Governmental Activities	
	2006	2005
Assets:		
Current and other assets	\$ 250,192,734	\$ 161,771,542
Total assets	<u>250,192,734</u>	<u>161,771,542</u>
Liabilities:		
Bonds payable	-	81,074,661
Other liabilities	<u>22,176,457</u>	<u>26,293,825</u>
Total liabilities	<u>22,176,457</u>	<u>107,368,486</u>
Net assets:		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	-	<81,074,661>
Restricted for capital projects	<u>228,016,277</u>	<u>135,477,717</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 228,016,277</u>	<u>\$ 54,403,056</u>

The total assets of the Fund were \$250.2 million, while the liabilities were \$22.2 million, resulting in net assets of \$228.0 million. The increase was due to the payoff of the debt service liabilities by the Arizona Department of Transportation. The purpose of the Fund is to provide a funding source for the construction of certain state and arterial roads within Maricopa County. To be able to construct these roads, the Fund collects excise taxes and issues bonds.

The Fund's bonded indebtedness decreased for fiscal year 2006. During the year, all bonded debt was retired.

The following condensed financial information was derived from the government-wide Statement of Activities and reflects how the Fund's net assets have changed during the year:

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	Governmental Activities	
	2006	2005
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Rental income	\$ 250,305	\$ 475,952
Capital grants and contributions	33,066,945	12,443,377
General revenues:		
Transportation excise taxes	316,491,260	316,805,562
Interest on investments	8,890,491	5,328,803
Other	3,017,806	-
Gain <Loss> on sale of land	<437,570>	13,042,396
Total revenues	<u>361,279,237</u>	<u>348,096,090</u>
Expenses:		
Distributions to other state agencies	186,727,688	103,629,022
Interest on long-term debt	939,901	12,415,420
Other	<1,573>	571,882
Total expenses	<u>187,666,016</u>	<u>116,616,324</u>
Changes in net assets	173,613,221	231,479,766
Net assets - July 1	<u>54,403,056</u>	<u><177,076,710></u>
Net assets - June 30	<u>\$ 228,016,277</u>	<u>\$ 54,403,056</u>

Notes to the financial statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 12-19 of this report.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with an overview of the Fund's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or request for additional financial information should be addressed to the Controller, Arizona Department of Transportation, 206 S. 17th Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007 or by visiting our web site at http://www.azdot.gov/inside_adot/fms.

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Statement of Net Assets
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ASSETS

Receivables:

Accrued interest	\$ 933,177
Other	535,279
Notes and loans (Note 5)	2,131,628
Due from U.S. Government for reimbursable construction costs	383,075
Restricted cash on deposit with the State Treasurer	<u>246,209,575</u>
Total assets	<u>250,192,734</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and other current liabilities	19,712
Accrued payroll and other accrued expenses	28,983
Contracts and retainage payable	<u>22,127,762</u>
Total liabilities	<u>22,176,457</u>

NET ASSETS

Restricted for capital projects	<u>228,016,277</u>
Total Net Assets	<u><u>\$228,016,277</u></u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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Statement of Activities
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Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues			Net <Expenses> Revenues
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	
Governmental Activities:					
Highway	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,066,945	\$ 33,066,945
Other	<1,573>	-	-	-	1,573
Distributions to other state agencies	186,727,688	-	-	-	<186,727,688>
Interest on long-term debt	939,901	-	-	-	<939,901>
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 187,666,016</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 33,066,945</u>	<u><154,599,071></u>

General revenues:

Transportation excise taxes	316,491,260
Interest on investments	8,890,491
<Loss> on sale of capital assets	<437,570>
Other	3,268,111
Total general revenues	<u>328,212,292</u>
Change in net assets	173,613,221
Net assets - July 1	54,403,056
Net assets - June 30	<u>\$ 228,016,277</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
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	Special Revenue Fund	Total
ASSETS		
Receivables:		
Accrued interest	\$ 933,177	\$ 933,177
Other	535,279	535,279
Notes and loans (Note 5)	2,131,628	2,131,628
Amounts due from U.S. Government	383,075	383,075
Restricted cash on deposit with the State Treasurer	<u>246,209,575</u>	<u>246,209,575</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 250,192,734</u>	<u>\$ 250,192,734</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 19,712	\$ 19,712
Accrued payroll and other accrued expenditures	33,210	33,210
Contracts and retainage payable	22,127,762	22,127,762
Deferred revenue	<u>2,131,628</u>	<u>2,131,628</u>
Total liabilities	<u>24,312,312</u>	<u>24,312,312</u>
Fund balances:		
Reserved for:		
Capital projects	<u>225,880,422</u>	<u>225,880,422</u>
Total fund balances	<u>225,880,422</u>	<u>225,880,422</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 250,192,734</u>	<u>\$ 250,192,734</u>

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Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Net Assets
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Total fund balances - governmental funds (Exhibit 3) \$ 225,880,422

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets (Exhibit 1) are different because:

Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current-period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds:

Deferred revenue	2,131,628
Accrued payroll	<u>4,227</u>

Net assets of governmental activities (Exhibit 1) \$ 228,016,277

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
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	Special Revenue Fund	Debt Service Fund	Total
Revenues:			
Transportation excise taxes	\$ 316,491,260	\$ -	\$ 316,491,260
Federal grants and reimbursements	25,163,613	-	25,163,613
Reimbursements from Arizona counties and cities	7,903,332	-	7,903,332
Interest on loans receivable	102,242	-	102,242
Interest on investments	8,392,507	395,742	8,788,249
Rental income	250,305	-	250,305
Other	2,184,988	-	2,184,988
Total revenues	<u>360,488,247</u>	<u>395,742</u>	<u>360,883,989</u>
Expenditures:			
Distributions to other state agencies (Note 4)	196,778,678	-	196,778,678
Debt Service:			
Principal	-	80,375,000	80,375,000
Interest	-	1,566,542	1,566,542
Other	<12,654>	13,684	1,030
Total expenditures	<u>196,766,024</u>	<u>81,955,226</u>	<u>278,721,250</u>
Excess <deficiency> of revenues over <under> expenditures	163,722,223	<81,559,484>	82,162,739
Other financing sources <uses>:			
Transfers in	179,363	81,449,977	81,629,340
Transfers out other	-	<179,363>	<179,363>
Transfers out for debt service (Note 9)	<81,449,977>	-	<81,449,977>
Sale of land	9,613,420	-	9,613,420
Total other financing <uses> sources	<u><71,657,194></u>	<u>81,270,614</u>	<u>9,613,420</u>
Net change in fund balances	92,065,029	<288,870>	91,776,159
Fund balances - July 1	<u>133,815,393</u>	<u>288,870</u>	<u>134,104,263</u>
Fund balances - June 30	<u>\$ 225,880,422</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 225,880,422</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit 4) \$ 91,776,159

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities (Exhibit 2)
 are different because:

Bond proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds.

However, issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. Governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs, premiums, discounts, and similar items when the debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities.

Premium on debt	699,661
Deferred charges - issuance costs	<73,020>

Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.	835,421
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Repayment of long-term debt is reported as an expenditure in governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.	80,375,000
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Change in net assets of governmental activities (Exhibit 2) \$ 173,613,221

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

The Maricopa County Regional Area Road Fund (Fund) is a part of the Arizona Department of Transportation (Department) and is not a legally separate entity. The Fund was established under Title 28, Chapter 17, Article 1 of the Arizona Revised Statutes. The Fund has no component units. The Director of the Department serves as the Chief Administrative Officer and is directly responsible to the Governor. The Governor appoints a seven-member Transportation Board, which has responsibility for establishing a complete system of state highway routes and approving all highway construction contracts.

The Fund is responsible for funding the construction and distribution of assets to the Department by issuing revenue bonds and by the collection of an excise tax. The Fund cooperates with various governmental entities within Maricopa County in the construction and maintenance of roads.

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the reporting entity. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities normally are supported by federal reimbursement, taxes and intergovernmental revenues.

The **Statement of Net Assets** presents the reporting entity's assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets.

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on asset use are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, and the like, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions, or enabling legislation.

The **Statement of Activities** demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identified with a specific function. *Program revenues* include: 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Fund Financial Statements

Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

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C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Transportation excise taxes are recognized as revenues in the year they are levied.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Fund considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due and payable.

The Fund reports the following major governmental fund:

The Special Revenue Fund receives Maricopa County transportation excise tax monies collected by the Arizona Department of Revenue. These monies are expended for the construction of controlled-access highways and certain arterial roads, which are included in the Maricopa County Regional Transportation Plan after the monthly debt service requirements are fully satisfied.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges for services, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, the Fund generally expends the restricted resources first, and then unrestricted resources, as they are needed to maintain appropriate cash balances and finance the construction program.

The expenditures of the Fund are not governed by appropriations of the state legislature and therefore are not subject to the limitations of a legally adopted budget.

The Transportation Board annually approves the Five-Year Transportation Facilities Construction Program for the Special Revenue and Capital Projects Funds. This program lists all planned construction projects for the next five years and the related program budget. Debt service payments are made in accordance with the requirements under the relevant bond resolution.

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D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets

Deposits and Investments

The Fund's cash includes petty cash, bank accounts, and deposits with the State Treasurer for pooled investments. All investments are carried in the name of the State of Arizona. State statutes require the State Treasurer to invest these pooled funds in collateralized time certificates of deposit, repurchase agreements, obligations of the U.S. Government and other permitted investments. All investments are carried at fair value. These balances are not subject to GASB Statement No. 3, *Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments (including Repurchase Agreements), and Reverse Repurchase Agreements*, and GASB Statement No. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 3*, classification because they are included in the state's investment pool.

The investment pool is not required to register (and is not registered) with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the 1940 Investment Advisors Act. The activity and performance of the pool is reviewed monthly by the State Board of Investment in accordance with ARS §35-311. The fair value of investments is measured on a monthly basis. Participant shares are purchased and sold based on the Net Asset Value (NAV) of the shares. The NAV is determined by dividing the fair value of the portfolio by the total shares outstanding. The State Treasurer does not contract with an outside insurer in order to guarantee the value of the portfolio or the price of shares redeemed. As of June 30, 2006, the state's investment pools were not rated.

The Fund's investments are included in the state investment pool and these investments are not shown in the Fund's name. Therefore, the Fund presents its equity in the internal pool as required in GASB Statement No. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools*.

Receivables and Payables

Outstanding balances between the Fund and the U.S. Government and Arizona counties, cities and other state agencies are reported as interfund receivables and interfund payables.

Notes receivable represents real estate mortgage loans made to individuals purchasing homes previously owned by the Fund for highway construction purposes. The loans were made at a fixed rate and mature ten years from the date of origination.

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Restricted Assets

Proceeds of the Fund's governmental revenue bonds are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet because they are maintained in separate bank accounts and their use is limited by applicable bond covenants or state statutes. The debt service fund is used to report the resources set aside for payment of future debt service payments. The revenue bonds proceeds are deposited in the capital projects fund and are restricted for acquisitions of right-of-way and construction of county highways.

Capital Assets

When the Fund comes into possession of capital assets, the assets are distributed to the Arizona Department of Transportation.

Deferred Revenues

In the government-wide statements, deferred revenues are recognized when cash, receivables, or other assets are received prior to being recognized. In the governmental funds, amounts are reported as deferred revenue until they are available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenues are reported in the fund statements for governmental funds. In the fund statements, the deferred revenues represent the amount for the notes receivable for real estate mortgage loans made to individuals who purchased homes previously owned by the Fund for highway construction purposes. The loans were made at a fixed rate and mature ten years from the date of origination.

Long-term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities. Bond premiums and discounts are deferred and amortized over the life of the bond using the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount. Bond issuance costs are reported as deferred charges and amortized over the term of the related debt.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of the debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures.

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Net Assets

The difference between assets and liabilities is “Net Assets” on the government-wide statements and “Fund Balance” on the governmental fund statements.

Reservations

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report the reservation of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. The reservation includes restriction for the purchase of right-of-way or construction of controlled access highways.

2. SECURITIES HELD IN LIEU OF RETENTION

In accordance with Arizona law, a contractor may assign to the Department, securities in lieu of retention and will deposit with the bank, cash, time certificates of deposit in federally insured banks licensed by the State of Arizona, securities of or guaranteed by the United States of America, or other eligible securities as defined in the Arizona Revised Statutes, Title 35, Chapter 2, Article 2, Section 35-313. At June 30, 2006, the bank held assignment on securities aggregating approximately \$7.5 million in lieu of contractor retentions for construction. These additional securities are not reflected in the accompanying financial statements.

3. NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES

Arizona Transportation Board Transportation Excise Tax Revenue Bonds

The Maricopa County Regional Area Road Fund is used to record all payments of principal and interest for Transportation Excise Tax Revenue Bonds issued by the Transportation Board. These bonds are secured by transportation excise taxes collected by the Arizona Department of Revenue on behalf of Maricopa County. The original amount of Transportation Excise Tax Revenue Bonds issued in prior years and outstanding at the start of the fiscal year was \$80,375,000.

The Bond Resolution adopted by the Transportation Board on July 25, 1986, established a debt service reserve requirement equal to the maximum annual interest due in the current year or future years on any series of outstanding Transportation Excise Tax Revenue Bonds. The Second Supplemental Transportation Excise Tax Revenue Bond Resolution adopted by the Transportation Board on September 22, 1988, gives the Transportation Board the option, which it has elected, of acquiring debt service reserve insurance policies in lieu of the debt service reserve requirement. Accordingly, no debt service reserve is reflected in the accompanying financial statements. The policies were issued by Financial Guaranty Insurance Company, except for the 1993 Series Subordinated Bonds policies, which were issued by MBIA Insurance Corporation, and the 1995 Series A and Series B Subordinated Bonds policies which were issued by AMBAC Assurance Corporation. These policies were noncancelable and insured payment, up to the policy amount, of the bond interest on their respective

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payment dates. The policies terminated on the earlier of July 1, 2005, or the date when no respective bonds were outstanding under the Bond Resolution. The premiums on these insurance policies were recorded as expenditures in the year of payment.

All Transportation Excise Tax Revenue Bonds matured on December 15, 2006.

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities for fiscal year ended June 30, 2006:

	Balance July 1, 2005	Additions	Retirements /Refundings	Balance June 30, 2006
Transportation Excise Tax Revenue Bonds:				
2002 Series	\$ 80,375,000	\$ -	\$ 80,375,000	\$ -
	<u>\$ 80,375,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 80,375,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Premium on Bonds:	<u>\$ 699,661</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 699,661</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

There were no bonds payable at June 30, 2006, related to the Maricopa County Regional Area Road Fund Arizona Transportation Board Transportation Excise Tax Revenue Bonds.

Refunded Bond Deposited with Escrow Agents

In prior fiscal years, the Transportation Board had refinanced various bond issues through advance refunding arrangements. Under the terms of the refunding bond issues, sufficient assets to pay all principal, redemption premium, if any, and interest on the refunded bond issue have been placed in irrevocable trust accounts at commercial banks and invested in U.S. Government securities which, together with interest earned thereon, will provide amounts sufficient for future payment of principal and interest of the issue refunded. The assets, liabilities, and financial transactions of these trust accounts and the liability for the defeased bonds are not reflected in the financial statements of the Fund.

There were no refunded bonds of the Fund deposited with escrow agents at June 30, 2006.

The bonds were secured by transportation excise taxes collected by the Arizona Department of Revenue on behalf of Maricopa County. The Transportation Board may issue additional subordinated Transportation Excise Tax Revenue Bonds as long as the amount of transportation excise tax deposited with the Fund (plus any other monies deposited during the period) in any 12 consecutive months out of the 18 months prior to the issuance date of the proposed bonds is not less than 120 percent of the greatest combined adjusted aggregate debt service for all senior and subordinated bonds in the current or future bond years, including any proposed bonds. The Transportation Board may issue additional senior Transportation Excise Tax Revenue Bonds if the above condition is met and also if the amount of transportation excise tax deposited (plus any other monies deposited during the period) for the same period is not less than 200 percent of the greatest adjusted aggregate debt service for all senior bonds.

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4. DISTRIBUTIONS

The distributions to the Department primarily represent the distributions when the Fund comes into possession of capital assets.

Distributions to other state agencies for the year ended June 30, 2006, were as follows:

Distribution to Arizona Department of Transportation	\$ 188,901,539
Distribution to Regional Public Transit Authority	<u>7,877,139</u>
Total	<u>\$ 196,778,678</u>

5. RECEIVABLES

Land, which was distributed to the Department, that is not used for highway construction is excess land. Excess land is returned to the Fund for sale.

Notes receivable activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, was as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2005	Increases	Decreases	Balance June 30, 2006
Mortgage notes receivable	\$ 1,298,810	\$ 1,414,500	\$ 581,682	\$ 2,131,628

6. TRANSPORTATION EXCISE TAX

In October 1985, the voters of Maricopa County approved the Maricopa County Transportation Excise Tax, a tax which may equal up to ten percent of the State transaction privilege tax rates. This transportation excise tax, often referred to as the "1/2 cent sales tax", is levied upon business activities in Maricopa County, including retail sales, contracting, utilities, rental of real and personal property, restaurant and bar receipts, and other activities. The transportation excise tax revenues are deposited in the Maricopa County Regional Area Road Fund (RARF) which is administered by the Arizona Department of Transportation. The revenues deposited into the RARF account are the principal source of funding for the Regional Freeway System in Maricopa County and are dedicated by statute to the purchase of right-of-way, design and construction of controlled access highways.

On November 2, 2004, Maricopa County's voters approved Proposition 400 which extends the one-half cent sales tax for another 20 years through December 31, 2025. The sales tax extension will be used for construction of new freeways, widening of existing freeways and highways, improvements to the arterial street system, regional bus service and other special transportation services, and high capacity transit services such as light rail, bus rapid transit and express buses.

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7. COMMITMENTS

The Fund had outstanding commitments under construction contracts of \$264,043,668 at June 30, 2006.

	Expenditures To Date	Remaining Commitment
Construction Contracts:		
Small Urban Roadways	\$ 565,341	\$ 192,029
Large Urban Roadways	<u>305,664,796</u>	<u>251,944,402</u>
Sub-total	306,230,137	252,136,431
Design Contracts	85,196,701	7,655,055
Other Commitments	<u>2,357,522</u>	<u>4,252,182</u>
Total	<u>\$ 393,784,360</u>	<u>\$ 264,043,668</u>

No construction in progress is recorded in the Fund. All capital assets are transferred to the Arizona Department of Transportation's general fund.

8. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the Fund expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

9. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

The Special Revenue Fund made transfers \$81,449,977 to the Debt Service Fund to pay bond debt service.